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Title

: ATM SWITCH WITH RATE-LIMITING

Technology Center 2600

CONGESTION CONTROL

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Examiner

: Jasper C. Kwoh

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Post Office Box 7068 Pasadena, CA 91109-7068 March 21, 2003

Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of January 31, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 10, 23, 33, 38-39, 42 and 49-50 as follows. The claims that have not been amended herein are also listed below for the Examiner's reference convenience.

An ATM switch, comprising: 1. (Four Times Amended)

a plurality of input ports for receiving data units on virtual connections, each of the data units designating a priority;